

Memorandum



Date: August 25, 2004

To: George M. Burgess
County Manager

From: Robert L. Parker, Director
Miami-Dade Police Department

Charles McRay, Director
Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department

Subject: MDPD and MDCR Joint Projects

Please be advised that the Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD) and the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department (MDCR) are working together on several information technology projects, training opportunities and the procurement of items or services (listed below). These on-going partnerships include:

Information Technology Projects

- Corrections Department will use MDPD's Automated Systems Unit in order to send teletype messages to law enforcement agencies for the transportation of prisoners throughout the state.
- MDPD's Positive Identification Updates Unit processes arrest information for subjects booked into correctional facilities.
- The Juvenile/Adult Photo Imaging System and related components used by the Corrections Department to book adults now works in conjunction with MDPD's Investigative Units and the Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC) allowing for arrestee photos to be included nightly in MDPD's Mugshot System.
- Both departments' Intranet sites are utilized interchangeably to inventory the demographics of those imaged in the Inmate Profiling System, which is shared with investigative agencies statewide through a criminal justice network.
- MDPD is providing assistance and guidance to the MDCR Information Systems Bureau to make improvements and share human resources applications, internal affairs systems and discipline and grievance processes.

Training & Events

- MDPD Identification Section currently provides on-site training to Corrections officers for fingerprint processing.
- Corrections staff attends criminal justice and public administration classes at MDPD locations.
- Corrections officers utilize the MDPD firearms range for training purposes.
- MDPD and MDCR Canine Units meet weekly, conduct ongoing training and conduct joint covert operations.

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- MDPD and MDCR have coordinated the following major events together: professional sporting events, reverse stings, FTAA prisoner processing and Memorial Day Weekend Celebrations.

Contract Sharing

MDCR and MDPD use the same polygraph service and psychological testing service for background investigations.

MDPD and MDCR are committed to working together and will continue to consider establishing future partnerships in areas such as promotional assessment center development, employee training opportunities, sharing internal affairs resources and continuous interagency Command Staff meetings.

Thank you.

c: Susanne M. Torriente, Assistant County Manager

Miami-Dade Juvenile Services Department

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

- Provides management direction for operations and administration of the Department to achieve efficient and effective service to arrested juveniles and their families
- Establishes policy and provides long-term vision for the Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC)
- Provides direction for the JAC Agency partnership with representatives from national, statewide, and local juvenile justice agencies
- Plays an integral role in the development and implementation of national, statewide, and local juvenile justice policy
- Disseminates information to media and public

DIVERSION

- Implements treatment plan with juveniles and their families
- Provides case management services
- Conducts on-site visits at family's home, juvenile's school and other locations
- Applies best practices for diversion of special populations, young offenders, first time offenders, substance abuse and mental health
- Provides non-secure detention to eligible juveniles

SUPPORT

- Provides support for budget, fiscal control, grant management, procurement, accounts payable, inventory control, information technology systems and projects, communication services, personnel administration, facility support, records management, and training

JUVENILE ASSESSMENT CENTER

- Reduces recidivism of arrested juveniles
- Ensures safety of children, visitors, and staff and safeguards rights of arrested juveniles
- Provides central booking services, shift command and security services for operation of the 24-hour 7-days a week secured facility
- Ensures compliance with statutes and compliance with the processing of arrested juveniles; provides positive identification, booking, screening, and assessment; manages confidential juvenile arrest records
- Provides operations services to partnership agencies including the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, State Attorney's Office, Miami-Dade County Public Schools and other departments
- Provides home detention services to eligible juveniles

RESEARCH AND POLICY

- Provides support for legislative initiatives at the local, state, and federal levels
- Provides data collection, reporting, and analysis for local agencies to fund programs that will reduce arrests based on documented needs
- Conducts recidivism studies to measure and evaluate client outcomes (re-arrest)
- Provides interface to the community on local juvenile justice and related issues
- Provides direction and contract management to national juvenile justice research project

